THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) According to available information, the State Government of Gujarat has created a separate Division, namely Border Security, under the administrative control of its Home Department for further strengthening policing and security arrangements in the border areas. Activities like infiltration and smuggling of arms, ammunitions, explosives, narcotics, contraband goods, etc. have a direct bearing on "Public Order", which is a State subject as per List II in the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India.

Crime in the Country

4639. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of attempted rapes and molestations in the country during the first six months of the current year (1998); and what are the comparative figures for the preceding three spells of six months each; and

(b) whether the number of cases per lakh of population in the capital was the highest; if not, which State or Union Territory headed the list?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Available information in regard to incidents of rape and molestation during the relevant period is given in the enclosed Annexure. *[See* Appendix 184, Annexure No. 114]

(b) So far as total cognizable crime against women is concerned, crime per lakh of population during the year 1997 was the highest in the National Capital Territory of Delhi. However, in regard to crime under the Heads 'Rape' and 'Molestation', crime per lakh of population was the highest in Mizoram and Madhya Pradesh respectively.

Cognizable Crimes

4640. SHRI JIBON ROY:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply of Unstarred Question 2355 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th July, 1998, and state:

(a) inspite of the urgency shown by the Ministry, figures are not readily available, at least till 30th June;

(b) whether the States are sending the reports or not;

(c) if so, whether all the States have lapsed and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the figures for the States who have given more updated figures in the same format as asked for in Unstarred Question 2355?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) Crime statistics are captured at police station level and consolidated at District and State Police Headquarters for onward transmission to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB). NCRB starts receiving data for a month from State Police authorities from the following month. The data for June' 98 is not available from any State. Several States have not provided information even for earlier months. Details in this regard are contained in the enclosed statement (Annexure-I). [See Appendix 184, Annexure No. 115].

(d) Available information in regard to incidents of cognizable crime like murders, dacoities, robberies and burglaries, crime against women and crime against Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes during the period February to May'98 is given in the enclosed statements (Annexures-II to IV). *[See* Appendix 184, Annexure No. 116]. The data for the month of May'98 has still not been received from 16 States and 4 Union territories.